ROPEX 2021 – May 21-22, Sponsored by the Rochester Philatelic Association

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ROPEX EXHIBITOR PROSPECTUS - RULES and REGULATIONS

1. ROPEX 2021 is being held May 21-22 at The Greater Canandaigua Civic Center, 250 North Bloomfield Rd, Canandaigua, NY.

Submitting an Entry

2. All entries must be made on an official paper or electronic entry form. Submitting or electronically filing an entry form confirms acceptance of this prospectus in full. Each frame holds 16- 8 1/2" x 11" pages. Single frame exhibits are $25. Multi-frame exhibits of 2 to 6 frames are $15 per frame; exhibits of 7 to 10 frames are a flat $100 fee, with a maximum of 10 frames per exhibit. For junior exhibitors (21 years old or younger as of January 1 in the year ROPEX is being held) the frame fee is $5 per 16 page frame.

3. ROPEX has a maximum of 125 competitive frames. Early application entry is recommended, typically no later than 2 months before the show. Exhibitors are limited to 3 competitive entries in total, with no more than 2 single frame or 2 multi frame exhibits. The Exhibit Committee reserves the right to reject any exhibit. Exhibitors can expect to be notified of acceptance or not within a week of receipt.

4. Exhibitors are asked to submit one copy of a synopsis or plan page and a title page to be reviewed by the Exhibit Committee for consideration, preferably when they apply. Electronic versions in Word or PDF formats would be appreciated. ROPEX requests an accepted exhibitor's permission to post these forms on the ROPEX web site. Exhibitors' names, titles and exhibit descriptions will also be listed on the ROPEX web site, in the show program, and possibly in pre-show and post-show publicity.

5. Mailed in applications should include the appropriate frames fee, which will be returned if not accepted.

6. Materials exhibited must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor. An exhibitor's name may not appear within the exhibit, however names and addresses on covers are allowed.

7. All exhibits will be displayed using standard 3' wide by 4' tall frames. Oversized pages/items larger than 8.5"x11" should be referenced in the application notes. Each exhibit page must be inserted into a protective transparent sleeve or envelope, preferably enclosed on three sides. Index card stock is recommended as a stiffener for each exhibit page. Pages should be sent in "mountable" order, numbered progressively on the reverse. Expertizing certificates should be in the sleeve behind the appropriate page.

8. Failure to present an exhibit after an entry has been accepted forfeits the entry fee paid.

Mail-In Exhibit Instructions

9. Details for mail-in exhibitors will be sent out about one month before the show. Do not send exhibits before receiving this info.

10. Return exhibit postage must be prepaid in advance, or sent with the exhibit along with appropriate forms/labels. Such arrangements must be made prior to the closing of the show. We do not post by USPS registered mail.

Walk-in Exhibit Instructions

11. Personally delivered exhibits or those brought using authorized agents will only be received by the Exhibit Committee between the hours of 1:00 PM and 5:00 PM on the Thursday preceding the show. In many cases judging begins by 7 PM that day.

Judging

12. The jury consists of a minimum of 3 APS accredited judges and up to two apprentices. All judges' decisions shall be final.

13. Competitive exhibits will be judged independently using APS standards of philatelic exhibiting using eight medal levels. Sufficient medals at each level will be available to the jury. Additional special prizes will be awarded exhibits meeting specific criteria at the discretion of the judges. The grand award will be presented as the "best in show" and become our representative in the next APS "Champion of Champions" at STAMPSHOW in August. All exhibitors will receive a copy of the exhibition program and Awards Palmares.

Show Closing

14. Exhibits will be dismantled at the discretion of the Exhibit Committee at show closing when all visitors have exited the exhibits area. No exhibit may be removed prior to that time without the approval of the show exhibits chairman or his/her designee. It will then be released by the Exhibit Committee only when signed for by the exhibitor or his/her duly authorized representative.

Insurance & Security

15. Exhibitors must provide their own insurance. All reasonable care will be taken to ensure the safety of all exhibits, including security around the clock. However, no responsibility shall be attached to the Rochester Philatelic Association, Inc., its members, ROPEX, the ROPEX Show Committee and/or its representatives, the Exhibit Committee, the show facility, its employees, or all other voluntary or paid assistants, for any loss of, or damage to, an exhibit arising from any cause whatsoever.

16. Questions concerning the exhibition and not provided for by these Rules and Regulations will be decided by the ROPEX Show Committee.

Awards Presentations

ROPEX will host an awards ceremony, banquet or similar event when exhibitors may receive their award(s) in person. Details will be sent to all interested exhibitors prior to the show. Exhibitors not in attendance will receive their awards by mail or through an agent.

Exhibitor Disclaimer – By submitting an application, the exhibitor agrees to the following:
I agree that the decision of the judges shall be final, and release and agree to hold harmless the judges and the American Philatelic Society, its officers, directors, employees, and representatives from any damages, including but not limited to damages to my reputation or that of my exhibit, suffered or incurred as a result of the judging.

ROPEX STAMP SHOW
A "Champion of Champions" Event

ROPEX Exhibitor Entry Form

Fill out one form for each exhibit entry. By submitting this form, the exhibitor confirms he/she has read and will abide by the ROPEX Prospectus.
If mailing, send to Tom Fortunato, 28 Amberwood Pl, Rochester, NY 14626 along with your entry fee and one copy of your title page and synopsis/plan page.
If submitting online, please send an email to stamptmf@frontiernet.net to verify receipt.

Name * **Address** *

City * **St/Pr** * **Zip+4** *

Email * **First Time National Exhibitor** * ○ Yes ○ No

Phone (Day) * **Phone (Evening)** * **Attend ROPEX?** * ○ Yes ○ No ○ Unsure

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Exhibit Title *

Exhibit Description (max. 25 words) *
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Exhibit Type * ○ Competitive ○ Non-Competitive **# Frames Required** * **Youth Age (as of Jan. 1 of the show year)**

Exhibit Size and Fees * ○ Adult Single Frame ($25) ○ Adult 2-6 Frames ($15/frame) ○ Adult 7-10 Frames ($100 flat fee) ○ Youth (under 21, $5/frame)

Exhibit Classification * ○ Charity/Promotion/Cinderella ○ Display ○ Illustrated Mail ○ Postal ○ Postcard ○ Revenue ○ Thematic ○ Unsure

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Method of Delivery * ○ I will bring it in person ○ USPS Priority ○ FedEx ○ USPS First Class ○ USPS Express ○ UPS
○ Agent (name)

Method of Return (FedEx and UPS must be prepaid. USPS registered mail is not possible.) * ○ I will pick it up in person ○ USPS Priority ○ FedEx ○ USPS First Class ○ USPS Express ○ UPS
○ Agent (name)

If Exhibit is to be Returned by USPS ○ I will pay return postage by check ○ I will send postage with my exhibit

Extra Services if Return by USPS (check all that apply) ☐ None Needed ☐ Delivery Confirmation ☐ Certified ☐ Insured (amount) $

Society Memberships (check all that apply) ☐ RPA ☐ AAMS ☐ AAPE ☐ AFDCS ☐ APS ☐ ARA ☐ ATA ☐ ESPHS
☐ PHS ☐ RPSC ☐ UPSS ☐ USPCS ☐ USSS ☐ WE ☐ Other(s)

Comments or Questions

ROPEX may post my title, synopsis and/or plan pages on its web site. * ○ Yes ○ No **ROPEX may publicize my email address.** * ○ Yes ○ No

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